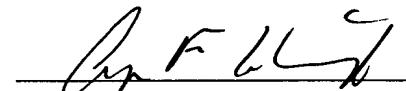


REMARKS

Entry and consideration of this Amendment prior to substantive examination of the claims are respectfully requested. No new matter is entered. The amendments to the specification remove extraneous language introduced by the translation, restore the specific reference to earlier applications to that recited in the specification as originally filed, and correct evident typographical errors. The amendments to the claims improve the language and clarity thereof and are not intended to narrow the scope of the claims in any respect.

In addition, claims 37 and 46, formerly independent claims, are amended to render these claims dependent on claim 1. Therefore, the combinations claimed in these claims 37 and 46, and their respective dependent claims, incorporate and require the particulars of the subcombination claimed in independent claim 1. As a result, Applicant is entitled to examination of claims 37-48 along with examination of claims 1-36 in the context of the present application.

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